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Amendment Under 37 CFR 1.312

Remarks

Applicant's attorney acknowledges with appreciation the Notice of Allowability of original claims 1 to 35. The present amendment seeks to amend the specification and dependent claims 4, 5, 6, 7 and 12.

Amendments to the Specification:

The specification has been amended to correct certain reference numbers and terms which were inconsistent with the drawings.

Amendments to the Claims:

Dependent claims 4, 5, 6, 7 and 12 have been amended to more precisely define the subject matter which they cover. Claims 4 and 5 have been amended to clearly indicate that they (like parent claim 1) are generic to the two embodiments of the invention shown in the drawings, i.e., the embodiments of Figs. 1 to 3 and 4 to 7, respectively. Claim 6 (and claim 7 dependent thereon) have been amended to indicate more clearly that claim 6 is specific to the embodiment of Figs. 1 to 3. Claim 12 has been changed to be dependent on generic claim 5.

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Conclusion

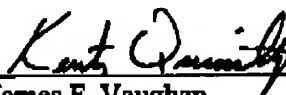
The amendments to the specification involve only minor informalities. The amendments to the claims do not require any additional search or examination, and the amended claims are patentable inasmuch as they depend from parent claim 1, which the Examiner has determined to be patentable. Accordingly, it is believed that the amendment is proper under 37 CFR 1.312 and MPEP 714.16, and it is respectfully requested that it be entered and the application passed to issue.

Authorization

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required for the timely consideration of this Amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 09-0528.

Respectfully submitted,

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